

Senior Airman Dean Witt



The Air Force Flight Test Center Museum has 12,000 square feet of display area.

New Museum Opens at Edwards AFB

Edwards Air Force Base, Calif. — The Air Force Flight Test Center Museum opened in July with ceremonies featuring such distinguished figures in flight-test history as retired Air Force Brig. Gen. Chuck Yeager.

The new 12,000-square-foot facility replaces an older, much smaller museum and is collocated with aircraft displays highlighting Edwards' flight-test history. It also boasts a theater and a library where visitors can research the base's history, and has climate-controlled storage and work areas for restoration projects.

The new museum offers a look at many of the center's accomplishments. It showcases exhibits covering such diverse subjects as the formation of ancient lakebeds, early homesteading, the first military uses of Edwards, flight testing during World War II, high-speed flight, and the story of Capt. Glen Edwards, for whom the base was named.

For information on museum hours and gaining access to the base, call the

AFFTC Museum staff at (661) 277-8050 or send e-mail to museum@edwards.af.mil. The mailing address is AFFTC Museum, 95 ABW/MU, 405 S. Rosamond Blvd., Edwards AFB, CA, 93524. — *Air Force Print News*

Soldiers, Airmen Train in Britain

RAF Base Lyneham, England — A team of 39 Air Force crewmen and three C-130s from the 37th Airlift Squadron, Ramstein Air Base, Germany, joined seven soldiers from the Army's 5th Quartermaster Detachment, Kaiserslautern, Germany, for Exercise Eagle Strike 00 in July.

This is the first time the U.S. military has been involved in this annual United Kingdom exercise, which began about three years ago to train the British Army's 16 Air Assault Brigade.

To prepare for the dropping of the British paratroopers from the U.S. C-130s, the aircrews first learned procedures specific to British operations.

At the same time, seven Army jumpmasters were training more than 60 British para-

troopers on the techniques and procedures of using the Army's T-10C parachutes with their British equipment attached.

The training British troops received was important because this was the first time since 1996 that they've used U.S. T-10C parachutes, said Flight Sgt. Dave Hart, RAF parachute jumping instructor.

"There was a lot of work that we needed to do to formulate and consolidate the training, and the team of American jumpmasters was absolutely top-notch," he said. — *Tech. Sgt. Ann Bennett, AFPN*

POW/MIA Poster Shipped

Washington, D.C. — Military units and ships at sea around the world have received copies of the POW/MIA Recognition Day 2000 poster, according to Larry Greer of the Department of Defense's POW-



The POW/MIA Recognition Day poster was shipped to troops, veterans and family organizations worldwide.

Missing Personnel Office. Greer said the poster's somber tones symbolize the darkness in the lives of those who suffer the agony of having a loved one missing in action.

Family members of missing personnel and veterans helped decide design ideas appropriate for all conflicts and all the services, he said. This is the POW-Missing Personnel Office's second annual poster.

The office polled the services and veterans and family organizations and printed 116,000 copies of the poster for their use, Greer said. Family members of missing personnel who would like to have a poster may contact their respective family organizations, or Greer's office at (703) 602-2102 or download it from his office's website at www.dtic.mil/dpmo. POW/MIA Recognition Day was Sept. 15. — *Rudi Williams, American Forces Press Service*

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A 5th Quartermaster Detachment jumpmaster checks a British paratrooper's equipment before the Eagle Strike jump.